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Title: APPARTUS FOR PREVENTING EROSION OF WELLBORE COMPONENTS AND METHOD OF FABRICATING SAME

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- ☒ Specification, claims and abstract, totaling 10 pages.
- ☒ Drawings totaling 3 pages,      Formal ☒ Informal.
- ☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (UNSIGNED).
- Information Disclosure Statement w/ Form 1449 and References.
- Assignment of the invention to                     .
- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet

FEE CALCULATION					
Fee Items	Claims Filed	Included With Basic Fee	Extra Claims	Fee Rate	Total
Total Claims	31	-20=	11	x \$18.00	\$ 198.00
Independent Claims	3	-3=	0	x \$80.00	\$ 0.00
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